***Ch. 2****-Answer in one paragraph*

Kino sees the pearl in the opening of the large oyster. But he waits

to open it until he has pulled up his basket of other oysters. “It is

not good to want a thing too much. It sometimes drives the luck

away. You must want it just enough, and you must be very tactful

with God or the gods.”

In his heart, Kino knows he has found a pearl, but he is afraid to

show his excitement. Have you ever experienced a similar feeling?

Why do you suppose people feel this way?

***Ch. 2****-Answer in one paragraph*

One of the themes of this story is that things are not always what

they seem to be. Kino seems to understand that in the following

passage: “Now Kino was reluctant to open it. What he had seen, he knew,

might be a reflection, a piece of flat shell accidentally drifted in or

a complete illusion. In this Gulf of uncertain light there were more

illusions than realities.”

Some critics believe this passage foreshadows the fact that the pearl

may not bring Kino and his family the good fortune they expect.

Can you think of an incident from a movie, book, life, or television

program where sudden wealth hurts a person’s life rather than

helps.

Use the text to find the sentence or sentences that answer each question. Explain the link in your own words as well. An example has been done for you. If you can infer information beyond the words, explain the inferences.

1. What is special about a boat in Kino’s culture?

2. What remedy for the scorpion bite does Juana attempt?

3. What is Juana’s prayer, and what does this reveal about her?

4. Describe the song that accompanies Kino on his dive.

5. Describe the pearl that Kino harvests and his reaction to it.

**Activity**

Kino’s plans for the future that his pearl will undoubtedly bring are simple. He will marry Juana in a church, now that he has money. He will buy a rifle, new clothing for the family, and a harpoon. Most significantly, he will have Coyotito educated.

Imagine that you have suddenly come into a large sum of money—you have won the lottery, for

example, or been willed a hefty amount by a distant relative. How would you spend the money, or would you?

Construct a list that details how you would allocate your new fortune. Begin with the total amount you have acquired, and explain the various ways that you would handle it.

**Total Amount Acquired: 55,000**

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